Attachment A General Instructions:

Each State must provide the information indicated below on its TANF program regardless of the funding source -- i.e., no matter whether the State used segregated Federal TANF funds, segregated State TANF funds, or commingled funds to pay for the benefit or service.

If the State elects to report on other benefits or activities provided through other program funding streams, please mention it after the TANF-funded benefits or activities for each item.

1. The State's definition of each work activity.

In Colorado, work activities are consistent with those federal work activities defined in 45 CFR section 261.2 and in accordance with Colorado's approved Work Verification Plan.

2. A description of the transitional services provided to families no longer receiving assistance due to employment.

While continuing to serve participants on cash assistance, the Colorado Works program recognizes the need to increasingly focus attention on serving low-income, working Coloradoans in an effort to provide low-income working families with opportunities for self-sufficiency. We have made significant strides toward serving working families who are no longer receiving cash assistance by providing transitional work-supports such as medical benefits, food stamps, child car, and job retention and advancement services such as case management and job-coaching. Health Insurance Transitional Medicaid benefits will be provided to families who become ineligible for basic cash assistance due to an increase in earnings. Families may receive up to 12 months of Transitional Medicaid benefits after becoming ineligible. In order to qualify for Transitional Medicaid, the family must have received Section 1931 medical benefits for at least 3 of the previous 6 months and the family must have lost Section 1931 medical benefits due to earnings as described above. Children in families not eligible for Transitional Medicaid are reviewed for eligibility under other categories of medical assistance such as Baby Care Kids Care and Child Health Plan +. Child Care Participants of Colorado Works who are receiving basic cash assistance and who have a need for child care will receive child care through the county department of social services. Once a participant is no longer eligible for basic cash assistance, they are still eligible to apply for and receive low-income child care through their county's diversion program or child care program based on their income. Food Stamps Colorado has worked to ensure continuation of food stamp benefits as clients leave the Colorado Works program by informing clients of their eligibility even after termination. Other Post-Employment Supports Through the use of County Diversion, counties are authorized to provide participants who exit basic cash assistance any other services that will help them remain employed, including skills training, supportive services (office clothing, uniforms, or tools), and housing assistance (rent, deposit on a new apartment, or moving

expenses). This type of assistance may be in the form of retention bonuses awarded to participants who retain employment for a specific number of months, or may be provided to participants for specific items. These types of services and benefits are at a county's option and in accordance with individual county policies. Case Management Former Governor Owens' Task Force on Welfare Reform found that the case management relationship should not end when the Colorado Works participant becomes employed. Since counties cannot count these working families in their work participation rate unless they are receiving assistance, there may be a disincentive to provide this critical post-employment link. Nevertheless, many counties in Colorado provide some follow-up case management to employed participants who are no longer receiving assistance. The duration of these services varies by county.

3. A description of how a State will reduce the amount of assistance payable to a family when an individual refuses to engage in work without good cause pursuant to 45 CFR 261.14 of this chapter.

Without good cause, participants are required to engage in work activities as outlined in their Individual Responsibility Contract (IRC). Failure of a participant to meet the terms of their IRC, including any provisions related to engaging in work activities, results in a sanction of the basic assistance grant. The first sanction is twenty-five percent (25%) of the assistance unit's cash benefit and remains in effect until the cause of the sanction is cured or for one month. Sanctions not cured by the end of this time period progress to the next sanction level. The second sanction is fifty percent (50%) of an assistance unit's cash benefit and remains in effect until the cause of the sanction is cured or for two months. Sanctions not cured by the end of the second sanction period progress to the final sanction level, which is a termination of an assistance unit's cash benefit. The third level sanction remains in effect until the cause of the sanction is cured. In both cases, if the person agrees to comply with the work requirement after the end of the third sanction period, a new assessment and IRC must be completed prior to resuming receipt of assistance. Any sanctions subsequent to the third sanction are at the third sanction level. Colorado statute and regulations allow an individual's refusal to participate in work requirements without good cause, if evidenced by an affirmative statement by the participant or demonstrable evidence, to result in denial or termination of the basic cash assistance grant in its entirety as determined by the county for a minimum of one month.

- 4. The average monthly number of payments for child care services made by the State through the use of disregards, by the following types of child care providers:
 - i. Licensed/regulated in-home child care: 0
 - ii. Licensed/regulated family child care: 0
 - iii. Licensed/regulated group home child care: 0
 - iv. Licensed/regulated center-based child care: 0

- v. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) in-home child care provided by a non-relative: 0
- vi. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) in-home child care provided by a relative: 0
- vii. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) family child care provided by a non-relative: 0
- viii. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) family child care provided by a relative: 0
- ix. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) group child care provided by a non-relative: 0
- x. Legally operating (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) group child care provided by a relative: 0
- xi. Legally operated (i.e., no license category available in State or locality) center-based child care. 0
- 5. If the State has adopted the Family Violence Option and wants Federal recognition of its good cause domestic violence waivers under 45 CFR 260.50-58, then provide (a) a description of the strategies and procedures in place to ensure that victims of domestic violence receive appropriate alternative services and (b) an aggregate figure for the total number of good cause domestic waivers granted.

The State of Colorado has adopted the Family Violence Option, and individual counties are required to provide information to all applicants and participants regarding family violence. State regulations require the county departments to 1) screen and identify victims of domestic violence, 2) refer the victims to appropriate counseling or other services, and 3) provide waivers of program requirements after a determination of good cause is completed and it is established that compliance with the requirement would make it difficult for the victim to escape from the domestic violence situation, the compliance would unfairly penalize victims of domestic violence, or would place the victim at risk of further abuse. The Colorado Department of Human Services administers funding under the Family Violence Prevention Services Act (FVPSA). These funds are available to support non-governmental organizations whose primary purpose is to operate shelters for victims of domestic violence and their dependents. In addition to shelter and crisis services, program services such as counseling, advocacy, and self-help services are also provided to victims and their children. The Department has coordinated the efforts of FVPSA funding and the efforts of the domestic violence collaboration piece for the Family Violence Option to assist county departments to collaborate better with their local community domestic violence service providers.

- 6. A description of any nonrecurrent, short-term benefits (as defined in 45 CFR 260.31(b)(1)) provided, including:
- <u>i. The eligibility criteria associated with such benefits, including any</u> restrictions on the amount, duration, or frequency of payments;

<u>ii.</u> Any policies that limit such payments to families that are eligible for TANF assistance or that have the effect of delaying or suspending a family's eligibility for assistance:

iii. Any procedures or activities developed under the TANF program to ensure that individuals diverted from assistance receive information about. referrals to, or access to other program benefits (such as Medicaid and food stamps) that might help them make the transition from welfare to work. Non-recurrent, short-term benefit payments are provided to Colorado Works participants in two ways - State Diversion and County Diversion. State Diversion is provided to applicants and participants who are eligible for cash assistance under the Colorado Works program, but volunteer to accept a one-time benefit or service in lieu of ongoing cash assistance. Such individuals must not need long-term cash assistance or a basic assistance grant and they must have a demonstrable need for a specific item or type of assistance. This assistance may be in the form of a one-time lump sum cash amount for a specific need and the applicant or participant must enter into a written agreement in which that person agrees not to apply for any further assistance in any county for a specified period of time established by the County. County Diversion may be provided to applicants who are not eligible for cash assistance under the Colorado Works program, but who are otherwise TANF eligible, and meet the same criteria listed above, i.e., they must not need long-term cash assistance or a basic assistance grant and they must have a demonstrable need for a specific item or type of assistance. They must also enter into a written agreement in which they agree not to apply for any further assistance in any county for a specified period of time established by the County. Providing County Diversion payments to participants, however, is strictly a county option and some counties do not provide this type of payment. Counties that do have a County Diversion program are responsible for establishing the eligibility criteria, which must fall within Colorado's limits for eligibility and must be based on fair and objective standards. When recipients are no longer eligible for basic cash assistance, Colorado's automated system - Colorado Benefits Management System (CBMS) - automatically enrolls them into the Medicaid program. The County also individually assesses participants as part of the exit process from the Colorado works program to assure that they continue to receive Medicaid or other available medical insurance if they qualify. The CBMS system and exit interview process also assure that exiting recipients understand and enter the Food Stamp program as nonpublic assistance recipients, and receive child care services such as Colorado Child Care Assistance Program ("CCCAP") for as long as they remain eligible. Non-recurrent, short-term benefits are also provided to TANF-eligible participants, defined as "needy" by Colorado's State Plan, through the provision of services to families for such things as short-term rental assistance, heating and utility assistance, counseling and educational services, transportation, child care, and payments for work clothes and equipment. Non-recurrent short-term benefit expenditures are nonassistance benefits that do not meet recurrent or ongoing needs, but deal with a specific crisis or episode of need.

- 7. A description of the grievance procedures the State has established and is maintaining to resolve displacement complaints, pursuant to section 407(f)(3) of the Social Security Act. This description must include the name of the State agency with the lead responsibility for administering this provision and explanations of how the State has notified the public about these procedures and how an individual can register a complaint.

 The Division of Labor in the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment has developed a grievance procedure to guide the resolution of welfare reform displacement disputes pursuant to C.R.S. 26-2-716(3)(b). The Grievance Process provides procedures for filing a complaint, investigation of the complaint by the Division of Labor, administrative review, a director's hearing, appeal to an administrative law judge, and judicial review in district court.
- 8. A summary of State programs and activities directed at the third and fourth statutory purposes of TANF (as specified at 45 CFR 260.20(c) and (d) of this chapter).
- a. Summarize below, the State programs and activities directed at preventing and reducing the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and establishing annual numerical goals for preventing and reducing the incidence of these pregnancies (TANF purpose 3):

As with the rest of Colorado's welfare reform program, much of the responsibility and flexibility to design programs that address the third and fourth statutory purposes of TANF reside at the county level. There are several local programs in Colorado aimed at strengthening two-parent family formation and maintenance. Some of these programs focus on supporting responsible fatherhood by providing services to non-custodial parents to encourage active parenting and employment skills to increase their ability to financially support their children. Some counties contract with community resources to provide marriage counseling and parenting skills. Some counties provide abstinence and family planning education to adolescents and young adults. These programs are usually funded in conjunction with other funding streams. In addition, several counties offer training programs designed to help reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies. Some counties have also contracted for teen parent and single adult parent training on the importance of relationship-building, the prevention of out-ofwedlock births, and the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases.

b. Summarize below, the State programs and activities directed at encouraging the formation and maintenance of two-parent families (TANF purpose 4):

In September 2006, Colorado was awarded a Promoting Responsible Fatherhood Grant from the federal government. The State receives about \$2.0 million in federal funds per year for FFY 2007 through FFY 2011. The grant requires a ten percent match from the State, bringing the annual grant total to \$2.2 million. The ultimate goal of Colorado's fatherhood program is to improve the well being of children by building community access across Colorado to fatherhood programs and services. This will be accomplished through two primary objectives: 1. Strengthening and increasing the

involvement and parenting skills of fathers of at risk children through community based direct services; and, 2. Building system capacity and community awareness through state level coordination and public outreach activities.

9. An estimate of the total number of individuals who have participated in subsidized employment under §261.30(b) or (c) of this chapter. 0

Attachment B 0 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Colorado Works/TANF a. Ongoing basic cash benefits and supportive services b. Transportation and other job search community training – unemployed c. Work subsidies – employed/Other work activities – employed d. Education – employed e. Child care – employed f. Other transportation – employed g. Non-recurrent Short-term Benefits h. Work clothes and Equipment i. Prevention of out-of-wedlock pregnancies j. Non-monetary services k. Administrative and system costs I. County related program costs

2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:

a. Ongoing basic cash benefits and supportive services b. Transportation and other job search community training – unemployed c. Work subsidies – employed/Other work activities – employed d. Education – employed – provides education to those who are employed e. Child care – employed – provides child care to those participants who are employed f. Other transportation – employed – provides transportation nonassistance to employed g. Non-recurrent Short-term Benefits – provides one-time benefits to participants who do not need ongoing assistance h. Work clothes and Equipment i. Prevention of out-of-wedlock pregnancies - programs to reduce the incidences of out-of-wedlock pregnancies j. Non-monetary services – provides needed services through community resource partners k. Administrative and system costs – pays the administrative and system operating costs of Colorado Works I. County related program costs – pays the county costs of offering Colorado Works

3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

a. To provide ongoing assistance for the basic needs of Colorado Works participants as they work with their individual circumstances to become self-sufficient. b. Provides benefits such as transportation, training, and job search skills to help unemployed participants find employment c. Provides subsidies and other work activities to help employers pay for the costs to attain the necessary employment skills to eventually find and retain worthwhile employment d. Provides education and training to allow participants to improve their employment prospects and end their need for public assistance e. Allows employed participants who earn low wages to be able to keep their employment without having to use their entire paychecks for child care f. Provides the means for participants to commute to their employment and other transportation needs g. Provides for a one-time need

such as a rental deposit that may prevent a family from facing a dire economic situation that may lead to a need for ongoing cash assistance h. Makes a needed investment for a participant to begin or retain employment i. Programs that reduce the risks of out-of-wedlock pregnancy including school outreach through abstinence education and self esteem building, along with other programs. j. Direct services provided through community resource providers that do not have any monetary value. These services are generally preventive services to help families receive the supports they need to avoid the need for ongoing assistance. k. State and county administration and systems costs pay for county related administration expenses, state administration expenses, the costs of supporting the automated systems to track caseloads and expenditures, and indirect costs. l. The costs of providing services to clients, including screening and assessment, providing information to clients, developing employment plans, post employment services, and the salaries of staff to provide those services.

4. Program Type. (Check one)

- 5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):
- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$8,301,838
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$8,301,838
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 11,586

This last figure represents (Check one):

- The average monthly total for the fiscal year. The total served over the fiscal year.
- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

The eligibility criteria for receiving MOE-funded basic cash assistance are uniform statewide and based on state rules in effect on July 16, 1996 with a few exceptions. Exceptions include a child care disregard, a two-thirds employment earnings disregard for twelve cumulative months, a higher standard for grandparents caring for children who have left the foster care system, and increased asset limitations. The eligibility criteria for receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services outside basic cash assistance vary by county and are described in the Annual Report (attachment A) description of nonrecurring short-term benefits.

- 10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)
- Yes No
- 11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 1 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Emergency Assistance to Families with Children Program

2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:

The Emergency Assistance to Families with Children Program provides case planning services, case management services, counseling, family support programs intensive family therapy, day treatment, home-based services, non-medical drug and alcohol treatment, and crisis intervention services. Families that meet the need standard for eligibility for this program receive the benefit of being categorically eligible for the food stamp program.

3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

The emphasis is to provide these services to needy families to promote child well being and family stability, and embraces a service orientation to enhance employability so that children can be cared for in their own home.

4. Program Type. (Check one)

<u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u>

NA

- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$34,724,624
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$34,724,624
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 14,685

This last figure represents (Check one):

○ The average monthly total for the fiscal year. ○ The total served over the fiscal year.

9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

The eligibility determination shall be documented on the state prescribed form and shall include: 1. Whether an emergency exists, defined as the removal of a child from his or her home into publicly funded care or state or county supervision, or risk of such removal as determined by the responsible state or county agency officials. 2. Whether the child has lived

with a relative anytime within the 6 months preceding Title IV-A Emergency Assistance application. See the Income Maintenance manual for requirements of relative (9CCR 2503-1). 3. Whether the family's total gross annual income is under \$75,000.

10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)

Yes ○ No

11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 2 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP)

- 2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities: This program serves families up to 225% of the Federal Poverty Level by providing assistance to pay for child care services. Families receiving services are employed, in training, or looking for a job.
- 3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

This program allows families to work or attend training because it makes child care affordable. Without this program, many families would be unable to work and have to rely on public assistance for support.

- 4. Program Type. (Check one)
- <u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u>

NA

- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$9,877,154
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$9,877,154
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 40,474

This last figure represents (Check one):

- The average monthly total for the fiscal year. The total served over the fiscal year.
- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

Families have must have gross household income below 225% of the Federal Poverty Level and be in an eligible activity.

- 10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)
- Yes No.
- 11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 3 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP)

2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:

LEAP provides cash benefits to households for help with winter heating costs. Another segment of the program provides funds to replace or repair broken furnaces and broken windows.

3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

The Basic Program is intended to help meet winter home heating costs of households composed of low income families and individuals. The Crisis Intervention Program is intended to assist households composed of low income families and individuals who are in home heating crisis situations.

4. Program Type. (Check one)

<u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u>

NA

6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$1,071,461

7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$1,071,461

8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 14,223

This last figure represents (Check one):

- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

Participants must have income at or below 185% of federal poverty index, be a U.S. citizen, be a Colorado resident, and the household must contain a child (or children).

10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)

Yes ○ No

11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response

on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 4 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Other Refundable Tax Credits a. Earned Income Tax Credit b. Child Tax Credit c. Child Care Tax Credit

- 2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:
- a. The Earned Income Tax Credit provides qualifying low-income families a credit who have income from earnings based on a sliding scale established by federal regulations. b. The Child Tax Credit provides \$200 for each qualifying child who is five years of age or under for low-income families of the expenses of caring for children. c. The Child Care Tax Credit provides a credit to low-income families for child care expenses in the amount of fifty percent of the credit for child care claimed on the individual's federal tax return.
- 3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:
- a. The Earned Income Tax Credit provides a refundable credit to low-income families to be used by them for any purpose. b. The Child Tax Credit provides a credit for some of the expenses of raising children for low-income families. c. The Child Care Tax Credit provides a credit to low-income families for the expenses of child care to help them afford the necessary expenses of child care that accompany employment.
- 4. Program Type. (Check one)
- TANF State
- 5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):

NA

- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$3,663,091
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$3,663,091
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 35,020

This last figure represents (Check one):

- The average monthly total for the fiscal year. The total served over the fiscal year.
- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits

or Services:

- a. The EITC is a refundable federal tax credit for eligible individuals and families who work and have earned income under \$38,348 per year, depending on filing status and the number of children claimed. b. A resident individual who claims a child tax credit for one or more qualifying children pursuant to section 24 of the internal revenue code on the individual's federal tax return and whose household income is less than or equals \$60,000 per year. c. If a resident individual claims a credit for child care expenses on their federal tax return and the individual earned less than or equals \$60,000 or less for the year.
- 10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)
- Yes No
- 11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 5 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

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Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Colorado Nurse Home Visitor Program

2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:

The program consists of nurse home visitors who work with women and their families in their homes during pregnancy and through the first two years of the child's life. The program provides regular visits with new at-risk mothers to improve parenting skills and child well-being and to link mothers to needed social services. This is accomplished through regular home visiting sessions through the child's second birthday

3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

The purpose of the program is to improve child development by helping parents provide more responsible care giving and to improve the families' economic self-sufficiency.

4. Program Type. (Check one)

5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):

NA

- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$9,307,568
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$9,307,568
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 2,590

This last figure represents (Check one):

- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

Eligible families must have an income at 185% of the Federal Poverty Level or less.

10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)

Yes ○ No

11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 6 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

Fiscal Year 2010

Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Colorado Department of Education Early Childhood Development Programs

2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:

The programs provide funding to Colorado schools in an effort to establish quality early childhood education programs, strengthen families and support them as participants in their child's education. School districts conduct an individualized educational program for the child with family involvement.

3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

The purpose is to reduce dropout rates, decrease dependence on public assistance, and to reduce children's involvement in criminal activities.

4. Program Type. (Check one)

<u>5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):</u>

NA

- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$73,252,183
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$51,513,201
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 15,944

This last figure represents (Check one):

- The average monthly total for the fiscal year. The total served over the fiscal year.
- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

Participating school districts are selected based on the following factors: • Dropout rate; • Number of qualifying children; • Test scores of Kindergarten children and primary grades of children in the district; • Demographic data; and • Geographic location of the district. In order to be eligible, the child must be 3, 4 or 5 years of age and have significant risk factors that affect overall learning readiness. The following are considered by the program to be risk factors: • Child is eligible for federal free/reduced lunch program; • Child's family is homeless; • An abusive adult lives in the household; • An

adult with a drug/alcohol problem lives in the household; • Child's parent is less than 18 years of age and unmarried; • Child's parent has not completed a high school education or its equivalent; • Child's family has frequently relocated; and • Child has poor social skills. Other factors that are considered include if the child is in need of language development skills and if the child is currently receiving child welfare benefits through the Colorado Department of Human Services. If 4 or 5, the child must be ready for Kindergarten in the next year and may only receive benefits for one year. If 3, the child must have at least of the 3 significant risk factors present in the home that make the child at-risk for school failure. A 3-year old is also restricted to benefits for one year, but may receive benefits for a second year if the risk factors continue to be present.

- 10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)
- Yes No
- 11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Attachment B 8 Grantee Information

State COLORADO

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Program Information

Provide the following information for EACH PROGRAM (according to the nature of the benefit or service provided) for which the State claims MOE expenditures. Complete and submit this report in accordance with the attached instructions.

1. Name of Benefit or Service Program:

Community-based Services for Low-income families

2. Description of the Major Program Benefits, Services, and Activities:
The following are examples of services provided by this program to eligible low-income families: • Education activities designed to increase self-sufficiency, job training, and work; • Child care assistance; • Mental health services; • Youth development programs; • Emergency assistance; • Parenting and financial literacy skill-building. Administrative costs in connection with the above activities are limited to 15% of countable expenditures.

3. Purpose(s) of Benefit or Service Program:

The purpose of the program is to provide to families in need community-based benefits and services in support of the four purposes of TANF.

- 4. Program Type. (Check one)
- 5. Description of Work Activities (Complete only if this program is a separate State program):

NA

- 6. Total State Expenditures for the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$23,636,559
- 7. Total State MOE Expenditures under the Program for the Fiscal Year: \$23,636,559
- 8. Total Number of Families Served under the Program with MOE Funds: 1

This last figure represents (Check one):

- The average monthly total for the fiscal year. The total served over the fiscal year.
- 9. Financial Eligibility Criteria for Receiving MOE-funded Program Benefits or Services:

Varies

- 10. Prior Program Authorization: Was this program authorized and allowable under prior law? (Check one)
- Yes No
- 11. Total Program Expenditures in FY 1995 (NOTE: Provide only if response on question 10 is No): \$0

Certification Certify:

This certifies that all families for which the State claims MOE expenditures for the fiscal year meet the State's criteria for "eligible families."



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Administration for Children and Families

Office of Grants Management

Division of Mandatory Grants

370 L 'Enfant Promenade, SW

Washington, DC 20447

Dear Sir or Madam:

The On Line Data Collection (OLDC) system reflects the Form ACF-196 for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. The ACF-204 reflects the FFY10 State MOE Programs.

The following amounts represent the difference in what was reported on the 204 report and the amounts on the 196 report on the lines indicated. In each case, the amount on the 204 was larger than the amount on the 196 and, in most instances, it was due to a delay in receiving information to post to the state accounting system. Other differences were due to inexperience in posting MOE figures.

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204 page 10, line 6 I, $120,358, 196 line 6-m-b.
204 page 13, line 6, ($2,335,107), 196 line 6-m-b
204 page 17, line 6, $1,071,461, 196 line 6-m-b
204 page 19, line 6, $136,756, 196 line 6-f-b
204 page 24, line 6, $1,375,000, 196 line 6-m-b
204 page 28, line 6, $23,636,559, 196 line 6-m-b
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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Suzanna Dobbins at (303) 866-4270 or Sarah Marsh at (303) 866-5762.

Sincerely,

Valri Gimple, Acting Controller

Division of Accounting

Xc: Rick Wilson

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